

Shrewsbury Public Library
Trustees' Meeting
June 29, 2004

Chairman George Strom called the June 29th meeting of the Shrewsbury Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 7:30 PM

Trustees Present: Joan Barry
Barbara Carpenter
Carol Cullen
Kevin McKenna
Carl Larson
Rosemary Rennie

Trustees Absent: Fran Whitney

Bonnie O'Brien, Library Director attended

Trustees Absent: Alice Canty

Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting:
Motion to approve minutes – Carol
Second- Rosemary
All in Favor

Reading of Correspondence:
Bonnie reported on a letter from the Brogatti Daughters requesting that the Trustees accept a gift of the Portraits of their parents for the Library
Motion to accept the gift of the portraits- Carl
Second- Rosemary
All in Favor

Bonnie reported on a letter from Bowditch and Dewey regarding a bequest of \$2,000 from Ethel Solhberg. I will be at least one year before the money is available for the Library.

Bonnie passed on an invitation from the Friends of the Central Region for a Breakfast Meeting on July 14th at 8:30 at Assumption College.

Report of Library director:
Motion to accept report- Kevin
Second- Carol
All in Favor

Report of Committees:

Building- the Compress has been fixed.

Quilt Frame- Bonnie is looking into more sturdy frames for this.

Outreach- Nancy Colby reported that the Outreach is growing. People telling others about the service. They are looking into a summer story time for next year. It was suggested a special post card be sent to Seniors. Nancy will look into this.

Policy & Personnel Committee:

Bonnie reported that Sharon Terry had been hired as the Library Associate in Children's Services. Barbara reported that she had met Sharon and felt that she was a good fit for the Library.

Trust /Financial

Motion to accept the monies given by the Community Partnership for Children and added to the Shrewsbury Library Memorial Gift Account (Chapter 44, Section 54, Mass. General Laws, as amended)- George

Second –Joan

All in favor

Motion to accept the monies given by the Welcome Wagon Club of Shrewsbury and added to the Shrewsbury Library Memorial Gift Account (Chapter 44, Section 54, Mass General Laws, as amended) – George

Second- Carol

All in Favor

Unfinished Business

Fy'05 Budget – Budget Cuts/Stat Aid Expenditures

George asked for a list of Sunday closing dues due to Staff unavailability

Rosemary asked what happens to the money budgeted for this if not used

Use of Borgatti monies for Audio books –Fy'05

Discussion on use of funds followed.

Motion to use \$3,000 to \$4,000 from Borgatti funds to purchase audio

books- Carol

Second Rosemary

All in favor

Building Program-RFQ- All is going along as scheduled.

Long Range Planning/Planning for Results- The Committee has submitted their section on services to the Trustees. The staff is working on goals and objectives to for the plan. Final report will be mailed to Trustees by July 15th.

New Business

Newsletter- nothing to report.

Scaff Building- the Building does not meet needs for load limits for a Library.

Special Trustees meetings- It was decided to meet on September 14, 2004 to discuss expenditure of State Aid.

Bonnie announced that she would be retiring on September 30th after 26 1/2 years as Director. George read her letter to the Trustees and will forward it to the Town Manager.

Motion to Adjourn- Carol

Second- Rosemary

All in Favor

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 Pm

Submitted by Barbara Carpenter